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Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Committee to Meet February 24

BISMARCK, N.D. – The N.D. Department of Human Services' Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Committee will meet on Mon., Feb. 24, 2014, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. by means of five video conference sites in North Dakota.

The committee meets quarterly to advise the department on program and policy developments to help meet the needs of individuals with traumatic brain injuries and their families.

The public is invited to participate in the meeting from any one of these locations:

- **Bismarck** West Central Human Service Center, 1237 W. Divide Ave., Door 4, Conference Room 1
- Devils Lake Lake Region Human Service Center, 200 Highway 2 SW, East Conference Room
- Fargo Southeast Human Service Center, 2624 Ninth Ave. S., Red River Room
- **Grand Forks** Northeast Human Service Center, 151 S. Fourth St., Ste. 401, Conference Room 5E
- Minot North Central Human Service Center, 1015 S. Broadway Ave., Ste. 18, Conference Room 411

Meeting agenda includes multiple reports from the University of North Dakota - Center for Rural Health; Community Options for Residential and Employment Services, Inc. on the pre-vocational skills services program; HIT, Inc. on the social and recreational services program; and Department of Human Services' Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Division on traumatic brain injury services in North Dakota. There will also be discussion about the Interim Human Services Committee study on traumatic brain injuries. A complete agenda is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html.

Individuals needing auxiliary aids or services to participate in the meeting can contact Julie Huwe at 701-328-8920, toll free 800-755-2719, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888, or dhsmhsas@nd.gov.

The committee includes legislators, advocates, providers, individuals living with a traumatic brain injury, family members of people who have sustained a traumatic brain injury, and representatives of the N.D. Department of Human Services, N.D. Department of Health, N.D. Department of Public Instruction, N.D. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), and Fargo VA Health Care System.

For information on the advisory committee or on traumatic brain injury services and supports, contact the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Division of the N.D. Department of Human Services at 701-328-8920, toll-free 800-755-2719, or ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888.